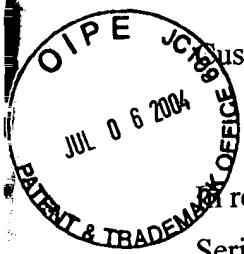


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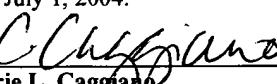
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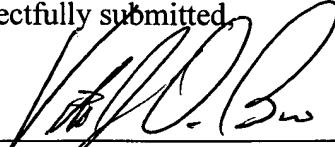
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This Information Disclosure Statement is being mailed before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, and thus, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), Applicants respectfully request that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicants further request that a copy of the PTO Form No. 1449, appropriately initialed by the Examiner, be returned to Applicants' attorney.

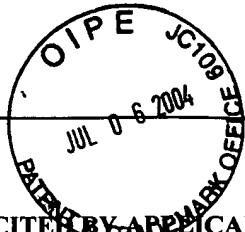
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